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TAGS: IT, CZ  
SUBJECT: CZECHS ALLEGE ITALIAN NEO-FASCISTS PLANNING ATTACKS  
IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

1. A RESPONSIBLE FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE HAS INFORMED US THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK AMBASSADOR RECENTLY DREW THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT'S ATTENTION TO ALLEGED PLANS OF AN ITALIAN NEO-FASCIST GROUP TO ORGANIZE ATTACKS AGAINST PUBLIC INSTALLATIONS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. IN BRINGING THE MATTER TO THE ATTENTION OF THE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES, THE AMBASSADOR STATED THE INFORMATION HAD, IN AN UNIDENTIFIED MANNER, COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK INTELLIGENCE SERVICES.

2. IN RESPONDING TO THE CZECHOSLOVAK AMBASSADOR, HIS MFA INTERLOCUTOR SUGGESTED THAT THE STORY DID NOT RING PARTICULARLY TRUE ALTHOUGH HE PROMISED TO BRING IT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES. FURTHERMORE, HE EXPRESSED HIS OPINION THAT CZECHOSLOVAK ENTRY REQUIREMENTS ARE SUCH THAT IT SHOULD BE EASY TO CONTROL THE SITUATION IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT THAT SOME TYPE OF ACTION OF THE NATURE DESCRIBED IS PLANNED.

3. COMMENT. THE MFA SEES THE CZECHOSLOVAK ACTION AS  
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A TYPE OF SMOKE SCREEN. IN RECENT MONTHS, AS VIOLENCE HAS SPREAD ACROSS ITALIAN CITIES, THERE HAS BEEN AN INCREASING NUMBER OF STORIES IN THE PRESS REGARDING POSSIBLE FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT IN SUPPORT OF TERRORIST ACTIVITIES. IN SOME OF THESE PRESS REPORTS AND IN PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS WITH POLITICIANS, THE FOREIGN COUNTRY MOST FREQUENTLY LINKED TO THE TERRORISTS IS

CZECHOSLOVAKIA. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE  
CZECHOSLOVAK APPROACH REGARDING THE NEO-FASCISTS MIGHT  
HAVE BEEN AN ATTEMPT TO DIVERT THE ATTENTION OF THE  
ITALIAN AUTHORITIES FROM AN ACTIVE INVESTIGATION OF  
ALLEGED CZECHOSLOVAK ACTIVITIES IN ITALY.HOLMES

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